

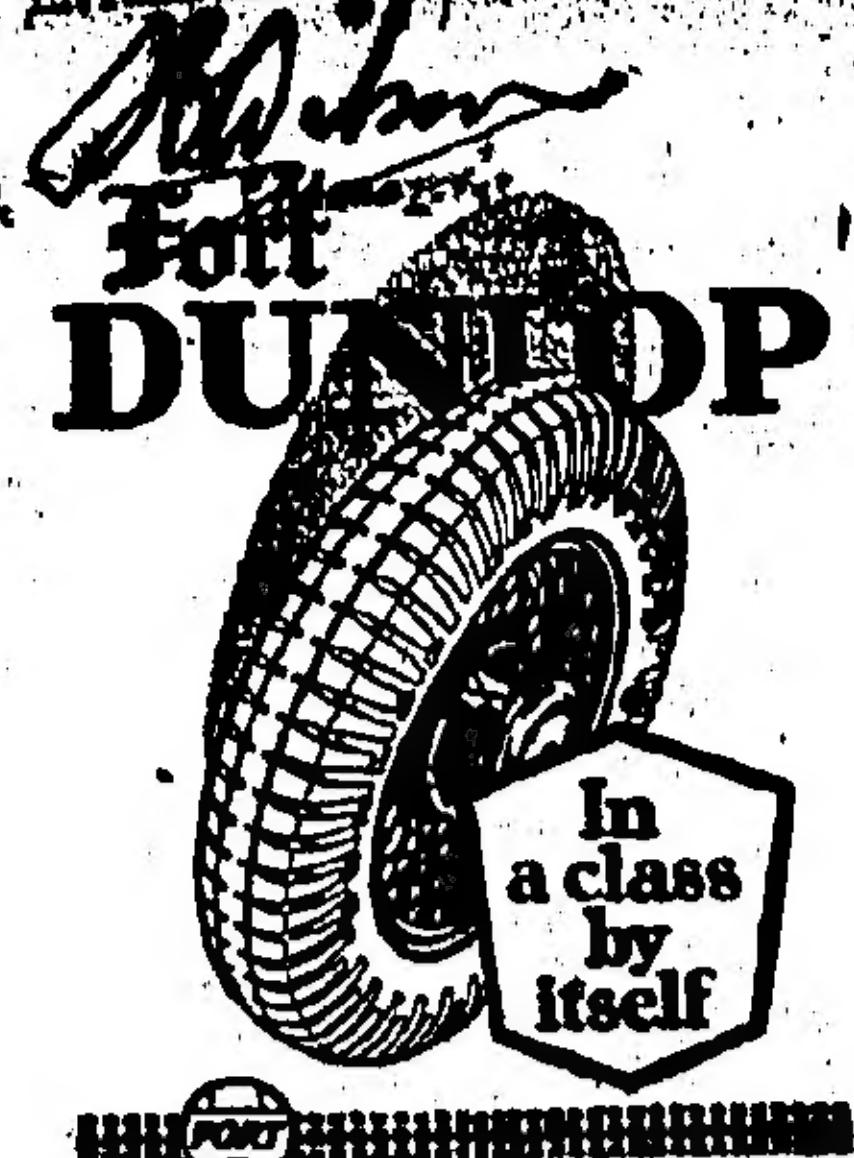
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## JAPANESE ATTACK ON FUSHUN AGAINST 1500 CHINESE

NANKING ATTEMPTING TO AID THE CHINESE SILK INDUSTRY.

### PROPOSALS TO GOVERNMENT

(Reuter's Pacific Service.)

Mukden, To-day.

Japanese forces co-operating with aeroplanes are launching an offensive against a band of fifteen hundred Chinese who are active to the north of the Japanese mines at Fushun.

The Chinese attacked the Yentai mines on Monday after which they withdrew to the mountains near Fushun.

The Japanese forces in that area are mobilising with the object of eliminating them.

### AID TO SILK INDUSTRY.

Nanking, To-day.

The Ministry of Industry is considering plans for assisting the Chinese silk industry which has been badly hit firstly by Japanese competition, then by the world depression, and lastly by the fighting in the Shanghai area.

It is stated that ten million people engaged in the silk industry are affected in Chekiang alone.

It is proposed that the Government should purchase large quantities of cocoons, exempt silk from an export tax and increase the duty on imports of foreign silk.

### THE FOUR POWER CONFERENCE.

#### KREUGER & TOLL SENSATION.

Italian and German Opinions Awaited.

LASTING TWO OR THREE DAYS.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Prime Minister will preside over the Four-Power Conference which opens at the Foreign Office to-morrow to consider the situation in the Danubian countries. Government will be represented by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Foreign Secretary and the President of the Board of Trade. All these ministers took part in yesterday's Anglo-French conversations which may prove to have been a deciding factor in reaching an agreement among the four Powers.

Although these preliminary conversations were regarded by participants as so helpful as to justify general adoption by European statesmen of this method of approaching the problems besetting the Continent no decisions were made, so that both the French and British delegates, who are now familiar with one another's views, can enter to-morrow's conference with perfect liberty to change those views, after hearing the opinions put forward by the German and Italian representatives.

M. Flandin, the French Finance Minister, has remained in London as Chief of the French delegation, and Herr Von Bulow, Head of the German Foreign Office, reaches London early to-morrow from Berlin.

It is expected that the Conference will last two or three days. —British Wireless Service.

The re-elections of the Rt. Hon. Mr. Montague Norman as Governor of the Bank of England during the coming year, and of Sir Ernest Mugrave Harvey as Deputy Governor, were announced to-day. This is the thirteenth successive year Mr. Montague Norman has been elected, says a British Official Wireless message.

### ANTI-JAPANESE MOVE IN BERLIN.

Communists Wreck Two Restaurants.

#### PAMPHLETS DISTRIBUTED.

London, Yesterday. Shouting "down with the Japanese peace-breakers and war on the agitators" a party of Communists smashed windows and wrecked the interior of two Japanese restaurants situated in the West End of Berlin, and then escaped, leaving a quantity of pamphlets. —Reuter.

### THE FIGHTING NEAR TAZANG.

Japanese Plain Clothes Soldiers Responsible.

#### DR. YEN'S COMMUNICATION.

Geneva, Yesterday. Dr. W. W. Yen in a communication to the Secretary-General of the League denies, on the basis of a report from General Chiang Kwang-nai, the Japanese statement of a lively fusillade between Chinese and Japanese soldiers on the north-west edge of Tazang.

On the contrary he states that the firing on the night of March 31 near Tazang was due to the fact that Japanese plain clothes soldiers attacked the Chinese positions. —Reuter.

### JAPANESE SUFFER BAD REVERSE.

Attacking Fangcheng.

(Reuter's Pacific Service.) Harbin, To-day. There are strong rumours here that the Japanese troops operating on the Eastern section of the Chinese Eastern Railway have suffered a bad reverse.

The Japanese are attacking Fangcheng, a hundred miles to the north-east of Harbin, which is strongly held by Kirin forces who refuse to recognise the Manchukuo regime.

### HOUSE OF COMMONS REASSEMBLES.

Some Progress Made in Shanghai.

#### BRITISH COAL RESTRICTIONS.

Rugby, Yesterday. The House of Commons reassembled to-day after the Easter vacation.

During question time the President of the Board of Trade said that Government could not regard as satisfactory the reply received from the German Government regarding restrictions on British coal imported into Germany and were making further representations.

Regarding the Ottawa Economic Conference, which opens on July 22, the Dominions Secretary said that Government were favourably disposed to propose that business advisers and representatives of organised labour should be attached to the United Kingdom delegation and were in communication on the subject with Dominion Governments.

The Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs informed the House that some progress had been made during the Sino-Japanese negotiations being conducted in Shanghai, though there still were certain points on which agreement remains to be reached. Conference between the two sides was still proceeding with the assistance of representatives of friendly Powers—British Wireless Service.

Two further Parliamentary vacancies are in prospect by the retirement of Sir Newton Moore, who represents Richmond, and Sir Renell Rodd, Member for Marylebone, according to a British Wireless message.

### TERRIBLE DEATH OF SUICIDE.

*His Distraught Condition*

Falls As Result Of Heart Attack

*Then Cuts Himself With Razor*

(Reuter's Special Service.)

London, Yesterday.

The distraught condition to which Mr. Henry Hughes-Onslow, Chief Taxing Master of the Law Courts, was reduced through ill-health, insomnia and overwork was described at the inquest held by the Paddington coroner.

In reconstructing the cause of death the Coroner said that Mr. Hughes-Onslow was seized with a violent heart attack when he went to bed. He got up at two o'clock in the morning and dropped twenty-five feet from the room to the ground where he lay unconscious for many hours. Then he regained his senses, struggled upstairs, leaving a trail of blood, got a razor and locked himself in the bathroom where he cut his body in various parts, though not fatally. He was discovered still alive at eight o'clock this morning, but died shortly afterwards.

A verdict of suicide while of unsound mind was returned.

His Career.

[Sir Henry Hughes-Onslow, O.B.E., was born in 1871, being the youngest son of the late Henry John Hughes-Onslow of Balkisstock and Alton-Albany, Ayrshire, N.B., and since 1908 has been the Master of the Supreme Court of Judicature.

Sir Henry, who was unmarried, was one of the founders of the Amateur Football Association, of which he was the first Hon. Secretary and later the President. He was also well-known in other athletic circles, being Hon. Treasurer of the Eton Ramblers' Cricket Club, Vice-President of the Harlequin Football Club and formerly Hon. Secretary of the Old Etonian Football Club.

He was a member of the Government Committee for the Regulation of Crowds in 1928, and from 1914 to 1919 was Sub-Inspector of the Special Constabulary, H.Q.C.D. During the War he rendered valuable assistance to the Government by procuring and organising the voluntary workers required by the various Government Offices and

### PARLIAMENT CENTRE OF RIOT.

Sir Richard Squires Marooned.

#### MANIPULATING PUBLIC FUNDS.

St. John's, Yesterday. The Government resigned when the Premier Sir Richard Squires was marooned in the House of Assembly by a howling mob waiting outside.

Rioting occurred, and very early in the proceedings the doors and windows of the Parliament building were smashed by a mob demanding an enquiry into the charges against Sir Squires for manipulating public funds, but the Government Party refuses any investigation.

Prime Minister's Escape.

While an angry mob of 10,000 were shouting "Throw Squires into the harbour," Sir Richard Squires, the Prime Minister, helped by three clergymen, reached a house near the Parliament and escaped through the rear entrance.

The demonstration followed a public meeting, presided over by a clergyman and representing business professions, to demand investigation of charges that the Ministers had falsified the minutes of the Council.

The mob attacked, and incensed by the delay in obtaining entry, they destroyed furniture, files and documents in the basement of the House of Assembly.

—Reuter.

### MR. STIMSON'S VISIT TO GENEVA.

In View of Disarmament Conference.

#### FACILITATING ACHIEVEMENTS.

Washington, Yesterday. Declaring that economic burdens and a menace to world peace had been increasing during the last few months, President Hoover said that Mr. Stimson was going to Geneva in the hope of facilitating positive achievements at the Disarmament Conference.

To pay a dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum for the year, namely, 80 cents per share on 18,105 shares, absorbing \$14,484; to pay a bonus at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum for the year, namely, 50 cents per share on 18,105 shares, absorbing \$9,052.50; to write down the goodwill by \$10,000; to pay a bonus of one month's salary to the Office Staff, absorbing \$1,579, and to carry forward the balance of \$25,257.48 brought forward from December 31, 1930, leaving \$62,058.43 at the credit of Profit and Loss Account, which the Directors propose appropriating as follows:

To pay a dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum for the year, namely, 80 cents per share on 18,105 shares, absorbing \$14,484; to pay a bonus at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum for the year, namely, 50 cents per share on 18,105 shares, absorbing \$9,052.50; to write down the goodwill by \$10,000; to pay a bonus of one month's salary to the Office Staff, absorbing \$1,579, and to carry forward the balance of \$26,942.93 to next account.

You will note that besides writing down the goodwill by \$10,000, which your Directors deemed advisable, provision has been made for the payment of one month's salary as bonus to our Office Staff, which I am sure, will meet with the approval of the shareholders, as it is mainly due to their zeal and assiduity that we have been able to place such a favourable report before you.

With these few remarks I have much pleasure in proposing the adoption of the report and statement of accounts as presented, and

Carried unanimously.

Other Business.

Mr. Leung Yan-po was re-elected a Director of the Company on the proposal of Mr. C. Bond, seconded by Mr. D. Rumjahn.

On the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Leung Yan-po, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-elected Auditors at a remuneration of \$750.

Attendance.

Supporting the Chairman were Messrs. Kenneth Chan and Leung Yan-po (Directors); and Mr. C. Bond (Secretary).

Shareholders present were Messrs. J. Fleming, Chow Tung-sang, Pang Kok-sui, Pang Kwok-fatt, S. Yamauchi, and D. Rumjahn.

COSGRAVE PARTY MEETING.

Anglo-Irish Treaty Must Be Upheld.

OPPOSITION TO OTHER POLICIES

Rome, Yesterday.

The trial by a special tribunal of twenty-two Italians from Emilia on a charge of plotting for

the reconstruction of the Com-

munist Party in Italy resulted in

the leader, Carlo Alpi, being sen-

tenced to twenty years' imprison-

ment.

Two others received fourteen

and twelve years respectively,

and the remainder of the sen-

tences ranged from seven years

to one year, except the five who

were acquitted. —Reuter.

### THE SILVER CONFERENCE.

No Representations Received.

London, Yesterday.

The financial Secretary to the

Treasury, Major Elliot, informed

the House of Commons to-day

that the Government has not re-

ceived any official representations

concerning the holding of an in-

ternational silver conference, and

the Government does not propose

to initiate any action in the

matter. —Reuter.

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Reserve Liability of Proprietors ..... \$90,000,000

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## ROUND HONG KONG'S CINEMA THEATRES

## OFFICIAL SOURCES.

## "SUNSHINE SUSIE."

Those admirers of the art of Jack Hubert will applaud this clever actor's latest characterization in "Sunshine Susie," which is now showing at the King's Theatre, the Gainborough-Ideal-musical-comedy romance, the presentation of which our patrons are enjoying.

Hubert has the role of a sort of glorified commissionaire in a Vienna bank. He has "nerve," enterprise, authority. He likewise possesses musical leanings, is the conductor of a society which discourses music of sorts in the local beer-garden. Indeed, he is the musical society

—its president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary and conductor! It is as conductor that this inimitable comedian really shines. His antics in the beer-garden, his quaint mannerisms with his top-hatted, frock-coated choir.

Susie herself, in the person of the lovely Renate Müller, is likely to be remembered not only for the "Happy" song which runs its melodious course through a romantic story, but for a personality that combines charm with simplicity. Her diction is perfect and her singing delightful.

Victor Saville adapted the story and directed the picture, and the legion of admirers of Owen Naeser will delight in their favourite's role of bank director who, mistaken for a humble clerk, finds his way into the heart of his little German typist.

Morris Harvey has likewise an amusing part, that of a staff manager with amorous leaning and an unhappy susceptibility to colds.

"Sunshine Susie" will be discovered to be full of delightful surprises.

## "THE SECRET SIX."

When Wallace Beery speaks, he speaks in talics.

His staccato style of utterance, his positive meanings in short sentences shot at one like bombs, make an interview with him a thing to be remembered.

He was discussing "The Secret Six," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's drama of American city life, which is being shown to-day at the Queen's Theatre. In it he plays the sinister Scorpio.

"If anyone likes the character I play I'll be disappointed," he remarked. "I tried to play a character that I would hate in real life."

"This fellow Scorpio is a gunman and a killer. Dangerous as a snake. Deserving no mercy or sympathy. There are dozens like him in every city. They ought to be strung up. I was glad when they led me to execution in this picture. Sounds funny—an actor glad he's going to be hanged. But I liked that. We didn't try to glorify the gangster or surround him with romance. I think the Picture's darned good suggestion for a lot of cities."

Beery heads a notable cast in the huge production—a dramatic story of crooked politics, machinations of the underworld and gang rule. Lewis Stone, John Mack Brown, Jean Harlow, Marjorie Rambeau, Paul Hurst, Clark Gable, Ralph Bellamy, John Miljan, DeWitt Jennings and others are in the huge cast. There are thrilling gun battles, a dramatic murder trial, a sensational attack on a gang strong-hold by vigilantes and a dramatic climax in Condemned Row.

## "SIN TAKES A HOLIDAY."

The wide sweep of the action in "Sin Takes a Holiday" called for thirty-two settings in widely varying locales on both sides of the Atlantic, and Pathé took full advantage of the opportunities afforded to make this Constance Bennett vehicle the last word in modern motion picture production.

The settings for this story written by Robert Milton and Dorothy Cairns are representative of widely varied walks of life of two continents. In the early sequences, Miss Bennett is seen as a secretary who lives in drab surroundings. Then she finds herself possessed of money, leisure and ticket to Paris and a lot of marital problems.

Twenty-five thousand yards of specially prepared sound absorbing fabric, one of the largest shipments of this type to reach a motion picture plant, were used in the construction of the settings. With this new type of material employed throughout, there was not a harsh reverberation or echo in any of the thirty-two settings. All hard walls and surfaces were eliminated or so protected that they absorbed, rather than reflected, sound.

The fabric material all was dyed in colour combinations chosen to bring out the best photographic values and provide harmonizing backgrounds for the action played in the various settings.

Three distinct phases of architectural design and interior decorating modern, period and character are represented in the settings. New York is the locale of the opening scenes. The action then shifts to Paris and other fashion centres of Europe, with the closing scenes laid in New York.

Among the modernistic settings are the bachelor apartment of a wealthy New Yorker, the grand salon and first class stateroom of a new trans-Atlantic liner, New York and Paris night clubs and seven Parisian shops. Considerable furniture was specially designed and constructed by studio experts for these modern sets.

The period structures include a French villa of the Louis XVI. era and de luxe suite of the famous hotel Crillon. For them costly draperies were imported from France and they were completely furnished with authentic period pieces.

The home of a New England justice of the peace and the apartment of three New York working girls are among the character settings. In addition, a section of the ice rink at St. Moritz, famous Alpine resort and the stands and part of the track of a French automobile racing speedway were constructed.

"Sin Takes a Holiday," which is showing at the Central Theatre to-day, is one of twenty specials which Pathé will produce this season. Kenneth MacKenna, Basil Rathbone, Rita La Roy and Louis Bartels are featured in the leading roles. Paul L. Stein was the director.

## "THE SANTA FE TRAIL."

Hooper Atchley, stage actor who created the role of "Witzel" in "White Cargo," makes his feature motion picture debut as the menace in the Paramount dialogue filmization of Hal G. Evans' novel, "Spanish Acres," as "The Santa Fe Trail." this adventuresome romance of the old West which arrives next Thursday at the King's Theatre.

Atchley, who came to Hollywood from an important role with Richard Bennett in "Jarnegan," joins a cast which includes Richard Arlen in the starring role, Rosita Moreno as the feminine lead, Eugene Pallette, Mitzl Green and Junior Durkin. Otto Brower and Edwin H. Knopf, directors of "The Border Legion," co-directed from an adaptation by Sam Mintz and the dialogue script is by Edward E. Paramount, Jr.

Atchley appeared in Los Angeles in 1916 as the lead in "The Bird of Paradise" and two years ago as Steve Crandall, the killer, in the New York company of "Broadway."

The actor has been on the stage for more than fifteen years playing leads and being starred in numerous stock companies throughout the country.

## "BEHIND OFFICE DOORS."

Do business girls lead more of a love-life in offices than chorus girls behind theatre wings and dressing room doors?

The answer is contained in Radio Pictures' highly dramatic and entertaining talkie, "Behind Office Doors," showing to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre.

Mary Astor heads the feminine portion of a brilliant cast. Robert Ames and Ricardo Cortez are masculine principals, and assorted pulchritude aplenty is supplied by feminine favourites such as Edna Murphy, Catherine Dale Owen and Kitty Kelly, Broadway favourite seen in her first film role.

## "PALMY DAYS."

Samuel Goldwyn's ceaseless star-making activities take a new turn in the Eddie Cantor comedy, "Palmy Days," coming to the King's Theatre next Sunday. Youthful Barbara ("Boobie") Weeks, jet black eyes and black hair, is the girl who in a more serious picture would be called "the romantic interest".

Bobbie Weeks sings, dances and laughs her way through the picture as an accomplice and coadjutor to Cantor and the elongated Charlotte Greenwood. For all intents and purposes, she is one of the stars of "Palmy Days."

In the earlier Cantor picture, "Whoopie," Goldwyn selected her as a chorus girl out of a great army of Broadway recruits. Bobbie had been trying to forget that she was a dancer. She didn't particularly like the idea of dancing again, even if she did lead so pulchritudinous an ensemble through elaborate and complicated dance routines. She wanted to be a dramatic actress.

Gene Buck had promoted her from a chorus girl in "Take the Air" to a speaking part in "King-side." She liked it, not wanly, but with such a determination as only a Bostonian can command. For she enrolled herself in two prominent dramatic schools and worked diligently at memorizing leading parts from the dramatic classics. But Barbara's time hadn't come yet. Directly, she found herself in the chorus of the New Amsterdam Theatre production of "Whoopie," without a line or a speaking part.

From that she migrated to Hollywood, and to the chorus in Goldwyn's and Ziegfeld's picturized "Whoopie". Goldwyn quickly saw possibilities in her and took an option on her services.

Not only was the option taken up by the producers when Cantor was ready to begin on "Palmy Days," but he signed Barbara to a five year contract.

## RADIO.

## TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s):

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.  
6-630 p.m.—Children's Programme.

7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia and Regal Records.

7.3-7.30 p.m.—Band and Orchestral Selections.

On the Quarter Deck (Alford), Ellesmere (Grace), Reg. Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards 744R.

Four Indian Love Lyrics (Woodforde-Finden), Union Symphony Orchestra 597R.

Morning, Noon and Night—Overture (Von Suppe), National Military Band 9018R.

8 p.m.—Local Time.

7.30-8.25 p.m.—Variety.

Song—

You Try Somebody Else, Kate Smith (Comedienne) DB734.

Organ Solo—

Parade of the Weddings, Terence Casey DB741.

Humorous Song—

Grandma's Days and Nowadays, Norman Long DB733.

Orchestral—

Bow Bells—Selection, Jack Payne and His B.B.C. Dance Orchestra DB735.

Vocal Duet—

The Longer You Linger in Virginia, Layton and Johnstone DB739.

Xylophone Solo—

When the Circus Comes to Town, Rudy Starita DB742.

Humorous Song—

Resolutions for 1932, Norman Long DB712.

Orchestral—

Hold my Hand—Selection, Jack Payne and His B.B.C. Dance Orchestra DB707.

Guitar Solo—

In "A", Len Fillis DB723.

Orchestral—

Helen—Section, Charles Prentice and His Orchestra DX830.

8.25-8.50 p.m.—Operatic.

The Barber of Seville—Overture (Rossini), Percy Pitt conducting the B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra 9166.

Chorus—

The Student Prince—Drinking Song (Donnelly and Romberg), Allan Prior, Raymond Marlowe, Clemon, Olaf Olson and Chorus 9083.

The Student Prince—Serenade (Donnelly and Romberg), Allan Prior, Raymond Marlowe, Clemon, Olaf Olson and Chorus 9083.

Orchestral—

Carmen—Selection (Bizet), Percy Pitt conducting the B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra 9125.

8.50-9.15 p.m.—Instrumental.

Piano Solo—

Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 12 (Liszt), William Murdoch 9282.

Violin Solo—

Bourree (Sammons), Albert Sammons 9484.

Piano Solo—

Prelude in B-Flat (Rachmaninoff), Polichinelle (Rachmaninoff), Leff Poushoff 9383.

Fox Trot—

Elegie (Massenet), 9.15-10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox Trot—

You'll be Sorry, Sweet Summer Breeze ... CB404.

Fox Trot—

Fiesta, 10.30-11.45 p.m.—Dance Music.

## SHADOWS BEFORE

## COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

## Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant;

Dinner Dances at Hong Kong, Repulse Bay and Peninsula Hotels and King's Restaurant.

## Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre; "Sunshine Susie."

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Secret Six."

To-day—Central Theatre; "Sin Takes A Holiday".

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Doctors' Wives."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Way for a Sailor."

## Home Mail.

To-day—Inward from Europe via Suez (Kanpara).

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Alster).

## Meetings.

To-day—Hong Kong Philharmonic Society, Cathedral Hall Office, 5.30 p.m.

April 13—China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Limited, extraordinary meeting, King's Theatre Building, 5th floor, noon.

April 21—Wm. Powell, Ltd., 6 Des Vaux Road Central, 11.30 a.m.

## QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S VILLA.

## Bought by Countess Who Was Born in It.

Queen Alexandra's beautiful villa, Copenhagen, which was bought to be turned into an hotel after Queen Alexandra's death but was never so used, had just been bought by Countess Scheel, who was born there.

The Countess's father was the original owner before the villa's conversion into a royal residence.

By My Side, CB288.

Fox Trot—

Just a Blue-Eyed Blonde, Lies, CB411.

Waltz—

Merry Widow Waltz, The Waltz Dream, MR225.

Fox Trot—

You're the Kind of a Baby For Me,

All My Life, CB403.

Fox Trot—

For the Love of Mike—Got a Date with an Angel,

For the Love of Mike—Who do You Love?, CB363.

Fox Trot—

My Song, That's Why Darkies Were Born, CB890.

Waltz—

You're My Only Sweetheart,

Waltz—

When It's Sleepy Time Down South, 2541-D.

Waltz—

Dancing in the Dark, Have You Forgotten?, CB407.

Fox Trot—

Actions Speak Louder Than Words,

Home, CB409.



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## CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

### SURREY'S NEW CAPTAIN.

Douglas Jardine. Appointed.

### A POINTER.

London, March 18. D. R. Jardine has been appointed Captain of the Surrey County C.C. in succession to P. G. H. Fender. The appointment is regarded in some quarters as significant in view of the English team's visit to Australia at the end of this year.

### His Career.

Douglas Robert Jardine was born in Bombay on October 23, 1900. His father was M. R. Jardine, a famous old Oxford Blue, who was in the Indian Civil Service. M. R. Jardine scored 140 for Oxford vs. Cambridge in 1892.

Douglas Jardine was educated at Winchester, where he was a notable success as a batsman. He went up to Oxford in 1919 and gained his Blue in 1920, playing three times against Cambridge. He was kept out of the team in 1922 by an injury. While at the University in 1921 he attracted a lot of attention by scoring 96, not out, against the powerful Australian team led by Armstrong. A stylish batsman with strong defence and great ability to score on the on side Jardine has been one of the outstanding amateur cricketers in England since 1921. He scored over a thousand runs in each of the following seasons:—1924, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 31. In Australia in 1928-29 he again scored over a thousand runs in a season.

Unfortunately for Surrey Jardine was unable to play regularly for the County. When he did so he was always a success.

In 1926 I saw Jardine play several notable innings. The best was his 103 against Middlesex at Lord's. He put up an excellent show for Surrey vs. the Australians on a bad wicket. He aggregated 1,050 runs for Surrey during that season and was third in the batting averages. One of his finest displays was given at Birmingham in August against Warwickshire. He scored 167 on that occasion. In 1927 he notched 5 centuries, three for Surrey, one for the Gentlemen vs. the Players at Lord's and the other for Harlequins vs. Oxford. He had the honour of heading the English averages that season with the record figure of 91 for 14 innings. No batsman barring Don Bradman, has ever recorded a higher average in a season in England than Jardine.

### In Australia.

In 1928 Jardine went out to Australia with the M.C.C. team led by A. P. F. Chapman and he played in Colombo. During the 1928 season in England he had shown excellent form, scoring 86 and 40 runs out vs. the Players at Lord's after having scored 193 for the Gentlemen vs. Players at the Oval. He also scored 157 for Surrey vs. Yorkshire and 112 for Free Foresters vs. Oxford. He again headed the English batting averages with 87.15 for 17 innings.

Jardine's success in Australia was one of the features of the M.C.C. tour in 1928-29. He opened brilliantly with 109 vs. Australia in his first appearance on an Australian ground. He followed this up with 104 vs. Victoria and 140 against N. S. Wales thus recording 3 centuries in consecutive innings. This was an unprecedented feat for a batsman visiting Australia.

In the first Test he scored 85 and 65 not out, 28 (run out) in the Second Test, 62 and 33 in the Third, 214 vs. Tasmania, 114 vs. S. Australia, 98 in the Fourth Test, and 115 vs. Victoria. In all he scored 1,168 runs on the tour in all first class matches and averaged 64.88, being second only to W. R. Hammond. He had 6 centuries to his credit.

### Scores Over 10,000 Runs.

Up to the end of the 1930 season in England Jardine had scored 9,845 runs in first class cricket averaging 44.5. He had then notched 24 centuries with 214 as his highest score. Since then he took his aggregate to 11,049. Last season Jardine played 380 innings, averaged 64.54 and was third in the English averages. He aggregated 1,104 runs. His best scores were

### FINCHER REACHES THE FINAL.

Honda's Devastating Drive Tamed.

### FOUR SET ENCOUNTER.

Yesterday's semi-final witnessed the probable winner of the 1932 Championship in action. By defeating T. Honda in four sets E. C. Fincher showed that he has sufficient courage and stamina to face a five set encounter even should he receive an early setback or two.

Yesterday he lost the first set to an opponent who was both most accurate and most tactical in all his placements, and he found himself at sea before the barrage of forehand drives which caused him undue exertion in attempting to retrieve.

In the second set, however, he changed his tactics; came back from his position at the net; and played from the base line in the manner more in keeping with his reputation. The change of tactics soon told its tale and Honda was soon a set in arrears despite that merciless forehand drive of his. The first set was a repetition of the former and a keen defensive game overcame the gallant Honda.

Though losing, Honda clearly demonstrated that he still possesses the most devastating forehand drive of any player in the Colony. His backhand, however, lost him many valuable points, but this was probably due to the spin imparted to nearly every one of Fincher's returns. He attacked from the commencement and showed enterprise throughout.

All that can be said of Fincher is that he played a great game and won a well deserved victory. The tennis served up was of a much higher standard than that witnessed on the previous evening and rather suggests that Fincher is going to receive a glorious opportunity to achieve an ambition for which he has striven for the past four or five years. Honda's elimination breaks a chain of successes which he has recorded in alternate years since 1926. He has won the championship on three occasions, in 1926, 1928, and 1930 whilst Fincher yet to win his first title.

The complete results of yesterday's programme were:

Open Singles.  
(Semi-final).  
E. C. Fincher beat T. Honda 2-6, 6-2, 6-2, 6-3.

Open Doubles.  
M. W. and M. K. Lo beat Segalen and Walsham 6-2, 6-3.

Club Championship.  
A. L. Sullivan beat G. W. A. Tufton 6-4, 7-5.

Handicap Doubles.  
Lampard and Clarke beat Humphreys and Blake 7-5, 6-4.  
Hyde and Turner beat Bowker and Gordon 6-4, 4-6, 7-5.

### TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

Open Doubles.  
(Semi-final).  
S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn v. M. W. and M. K. Lo.

Club Championship.  
(Semi-final).

R. M. Henderson v. L. Goldman.  
Handicap Singles "A".

Harkins or Barton v. T. J. Price.

Handicap Singles "B".

Clarabut or Clarke v. Wilson.

Handicap Doubles.

S. E. and D. S. Green v. Hyde and Turner or Bowker and Gordon.

Handicap Mixed Doubles.

Hancock and Miss Hancock v. Col. and Mrs. Lecky.

104 for England vs. Yorkshire at the Oval, and 106 not out for M.C.C. vs. Cambridge. He captained England in the Tests with the New Zealanders scoring 38 and 0 not out at Lord's and 7, not out in the Second Test at the Oval. In the 3rd Test at Manchester he scored 28, not out. Jardine is in high favour at Lord's and with his experience gained in Australia in 1928-29 and his successful leadership of England in last year's Tests in England he seems destined to be the Captain of the next English team to visit Australia.—"Onlooker" in the Ceylon Observer.

### PHAR LAP DIES IN CALIFORNIA.

The "Red Terror" of the Australian Turf.

### FROM COLIC.

New York. Yesterday, the most famous five-year old gelding in the history of the turf, Phar Lap, the "Red Terror" of the Australian turf, died from colic in California whether it had been shipped from New Zealand on March 20 for the Agua Caliente \$50,000 handicap which it won by seven lengths.—Reuter's American Service.

### FANLING GOLF QUALIFIERS.

Captain's Cup on Old and New Course.

At Fanling on April 2 and 3 on the Old Course, J. Mandracchia for the Captain's Cup (90-18=72) qualified, and on the New Course A. C. Gould (92-15=77) also qualified.

### LADIES' GOLF.

SHANGHAI FOURESMES COMPETITION.

Win for Mrs. Lambert and Mrs. Totterham.

The Shanghai Foursome Competition played over the New Course. Fanling, yesterday was won by Mrs. D. C. Lambert and Mrs. R. E. Tottenham with the score of 85-11=74.

Other scores were:—Mrs. C. B. Brown and Miss Stevenson 94-17=77; Mrs. A. B. Stewart and Mrs. P. S. Cassidy 91-12=79; Miss Robinson and Miss Wilson 100-21=79.

### Y.M.C.A. DRAW WITH AIR FORCE.

Scrappy Hockey Match at King's Park.

At King's Park yesterday afternoon, in a scrappy hockey match, the Y.M.C.A. first eleven drew with a team from the R.A.F., both sides scoring twice, the score at the interval being one all. W. J. Browne was responsible for both the "Y" points.

To-morrow, the Y.M.C.A. second eleven are meeting the R.A.O.C. at King's Park, at 5.15 p.m.

Club II. v. C.B.A.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club 2nd XI. against the C.B.A. on Monday on their ground at 5.15 p.m. sharp:—

R. W. Sapson; L. A. R. Duncan, L. F. Nicholson; J. E. Potter, E. G. S. Dale, H. J. D. Lowe; G. F. Rees, R. H. D. Wade, W. A. Nowers, S. J. H. Fox, and L. D. Kilbee.

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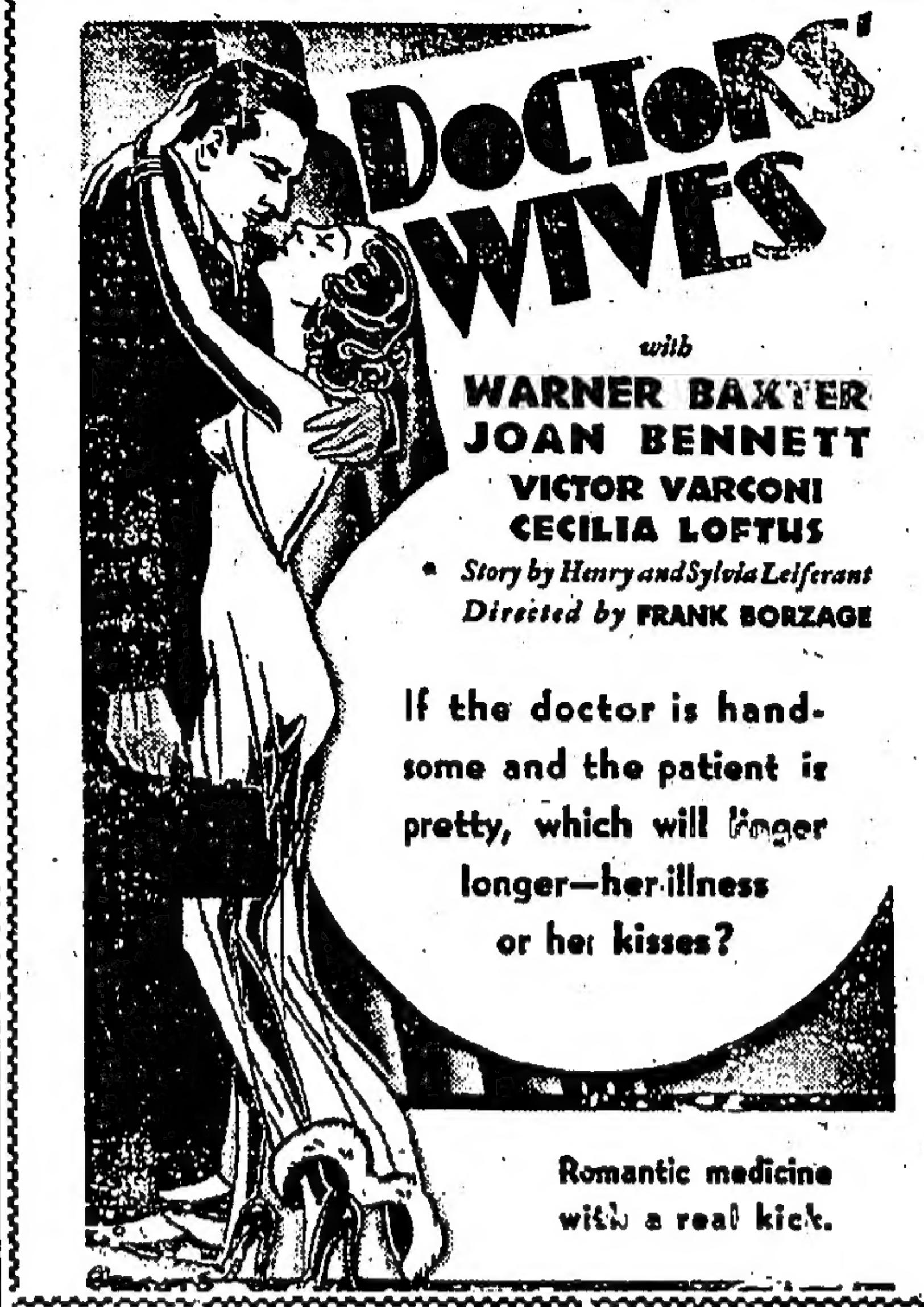
Joyce Williams, a participant in the Australian Junior tennis championship at Adelaide, played for many years with a needle in her leg.

It was only a year ago that she was compelled to withdraw from a final, after a strenuous game in the semi-final round on account of foot trouble.

An X-ray examination revealed a needle in the arch of her instep. How or when it came neither she nor her parents could remember, and the doctor was of opinion that the piece of steel, over an inch in length, had been travelling for many years.

## MAJESTIC

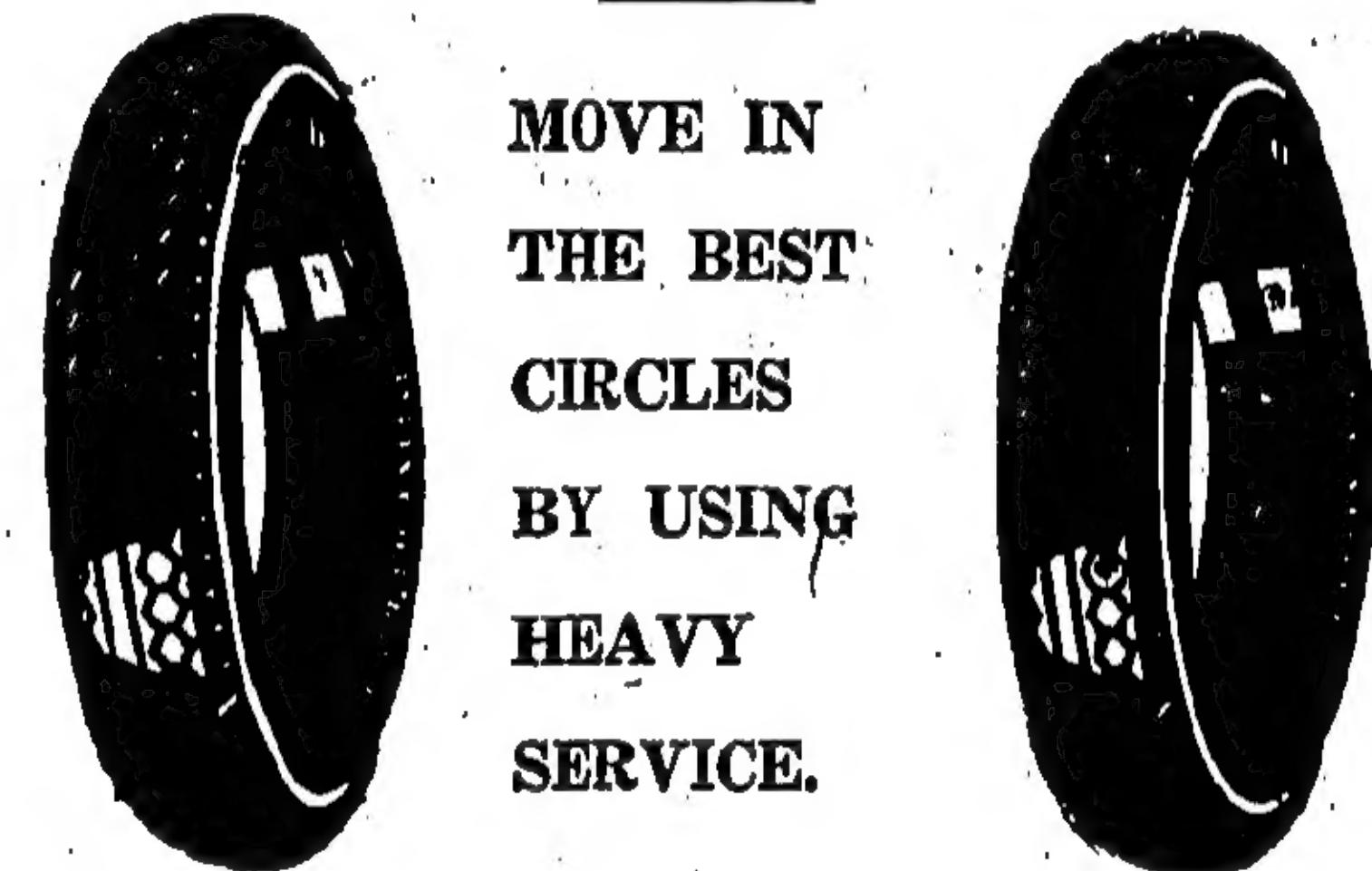
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**NARROW ESCAPE.**

Culminating from a report made by Mr. Edgar, American Vice-Consul, to the Police, Sub-Inspector Rogers summoned Yee Chung, of 15 Gilman Street, before Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning, on two counts namely:—(a) failing to take necessary precautions when blasting at Shaukiwan Road on March 25 at 4.50 p.m., and (b) failing to provide proper heavy timber coverings, to the danger of the public.

Sub-Insp. Rogers informed the Court that the defendant's firm was reclaiming a large piece of land at North Point, just past the Hong Kong Electric Company's premises, and there was a lot of rock there. On the date and at the time in question, Mr. Edgar was travelling along the Shaukiwan Road in his Buick saloon car, in an eastward direction. A large number of stones, the result of a blast about 250 feet from the main road, landed on the car, smashing the wind screen. Mr. Edgar reported the matter to the Quarry Bay Police Station, and later S.I. Rogers went out to inspect the place. On arrival he found that the timber shields had not been used for the discharge.

He added that Mr. Edgar complained of not hearing any gongs being beaten, or having seen any red flags. The damage done to the wind screen amounted to \$37, and this sum the defendant's firm had already paid back to Mr. Edgar, who had expressed the wish that he did not want to be involved in Court proceedings.

On Mr. Edgar not being prepared to give testimony, his Worship dismissed the first summons, but imposed a fine of \$250 on the second.

**MAGIC SILENCES  
CHICKEN.**

**Defendant Sentenced to  
A Month's Hard.**

When asked how he enticed a chicken and carried it away without it cackling, a Chinese told Sub-Inspector Elston that he used magic words.

When charging the man with the theft at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, evidence was given to the effect that the man stole the fowl from a lighter at the Kowloon Godowns, but was stopped and questioned by an Indian watchman as he was leaving the wharf with the fowl under his arm.

One month's hard labour was imposed.

**LAWN TENNIS IN  
INDIA.**

**Picking The Team to  
Meet Germany.**

Calcutta, March 11. The annual meeting of the All-India Lawn Tennis Association, which had to be put off because sufficient notice had not been given, is to be held at Delhi on March 26.

The business will be purely of a formal nature, but the meeting will be asked to confirm the appointment of Messrs. Krishna Prasad and A. C. Gupta and Col. B. O. Roe as selection committee in connection with India's Davis Cup tie against Germany.

Hitherto Colonel Roe has done all the picking of India's team himself, but in view of the large number of players available this time it has been thought advisable to have a small Committee to nominate India's representatives for Wimbledon, to arrange practice matches and pick a team against Germany.

**ENGLISH CRICKET.**

**Wisden's Chosen  
Five.**

**THE AUSTRALIAN TOUR.**

London, March 11. Wisden's five cricketers for the year in England are the Nawab of Pataudi, Jim Langridge, Verity, Bowes, and Dempster, who are described as the best batsmen New Zealand ever produced.

The editor, Mr. Stewart Caine, says: "It is idle to suggest that the tour of Australia is being approached with great confidence. The selectors may discover suitable batsmen, even if it is impossible to conceive of Hobbs' place being filled by anyone in his class, but a greater difficulty threatens in the choice of bowlers. Larwood, if sound, is an obvious choice, and Tate, with his splendid stamina, may again be successful in Australia, but some younger men must be found, able to stand the strain of seven-day matches."

"Possibilities" include Peebles, T. B. Mitchell, Robins, Verity, and F. R. Brown as slow bowlers, and Langridge as an all-rounder. From these a reasonably powerful attack may be developed, but scarcely likely to be deadly in Australia. There seems no reason to look beyond Ames as first wicket-keeper. "A year ago everything pointed to the probability of Jardine being

**TO-DAY'S LEAGUE  
FOOTBALL.**

**Two First Division  
Encounters.**

The following are the fixtures for to-day:

**First Division.**  
Police v. Club, Club ground. Referee: R.P.O. Darlington.

Recreio v. S.W.B., King's Park. Referee: Ldg. Sig. Archer. Kick-off at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

**Second Division.**  
Argylls v. R.A.O.C., Chatham Road ground. Referee: A.B. Lait. Kick-off at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

**RUMJAHN v. LO ON FRIDAY.**

As a result of the Rumjahn v. Lo semi-final tie on Monday being left unfinished, the match will be entirely replayed on Friday afternoon at 4.30 p.m.

Friday was originally set aside for the singles final, but this has been altered, and the match, between E. C. Fincher and the winner of Friday's encounter, will take place on Monday next.

The open doubles final, previously arranged to take place on Monday, has been transferred to the following days.

offered the captaincy. He is an exceptionally sound batsman, but apparently has failed to impress as a leader. The impression appears to be widely entertained that Chapman, if in form, will again be captain, while unsurpassed as a fieldsmen near the wicket, he seems, unhappily, to have lost his judgment in batting. He may recover his form and lead the tourists, but the captain and the Bowlers are matters of pure speculation."

**Amateur Status.**

The "Daily Herald" commenting on A. Fairfax's statement that it is only a matter of time before straight-out professionalism is introduced in Australian cricket, says that the statement can only be regarded as a frank assertion that Australian amateurs are not really amateurs. "Obviously," it states, "Fairfax thinks straightforward professionalism is more to be admired than the bogus amateur who will disagree with him. There are cases in England where the strict laws of amateurism are not only overstepped, but trampled upon."

**WHY ARSENAL ARE SO  
BRAINY!**

**The Secret Has Been  
Solved.**

London, March 8. Football enthusiasts must often have wondered why players, on being transferred to the Arsenal, always become much more brainy. This week the Arsenal men are at Brighton preparing for their semi-final, and I believe, writes a home correspondent there, that I have solved the secret of their brain power.

They eat large quantities of fish, which is popularly supposed to build brain.

Here was their programme for to-day, a programme which is seldom varied:

8.30: Out of Bed.  
9.00: Breakfast.  
9.30: Leave for golf at The Dyke.  
1.30: Lunch at the clubhouse.  
4.00: Hot sea-water baths at Hove.

6.00: High tea at their hotel.  
7.30: A visit to a cinema or other place of entertainment.

10.45: Supper, and so to bed. They eat plenty of fish and eggs, but drink no intoxicants.

The Arsenal players must be fit; any men who were not could scarcely eat their customary supper and go straight to bed without nightmares. The supper consists of bread and cheese, washed down with tea.

All the men are fit, but the centre-forward problem of Lambert or Parkin will not definitely be settled until later in the week. Coleman, the capture from Grimsby, is ineligible for Cup-ties.

There is confidence in the camp, but the manager, "Oyster" Chapman, as usual thinks plenty but says very little.

**PRIMO CARNERA  
MATCHED.**

**Bout Next Month with  
McCorkindale.**

London, March 26. Arrangements have been completed for McCorkindale, the South African boxer, who recently lost to Larry Gains, the Canadian heavyweight, to meet Carnera at the Albert Hall on April 7.

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**INWARD MAIIS.**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6.	
Swatow and Amoy .....	Van Heutsz
Manila .....	Empress of Canada
Europe via Suea (Letters & Papers, London,	
March 10 and Parcels, March 3) .....	Ranpura
Calcutta and Straits .....	Takada
THURSDAY, APRIL 7.	
Shanghai and Swatow .....	Sunning
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London,	
March 17) .....	Alster
Japan and Shanghai .....	Taiyo Maru
FRIDAY, APRIL 8.	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle,	
March 19) .....	President Cleveland
Japan and Shanghai .....	Corfu
TUESDAY, APRIL 12.	
Australia and Manila .....	Changte
THURSDAY, APRIL 14.	
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., March 26) .....	Empress of Russia
SATURDAY, APRIL 16.	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, March 18) .....	President Hayes

**OUTWARD MAIIS.**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6.	
Amoy .....	Tai Yuan .....
Saigon .....	Clara Jebson .....
THURSDAY, APRIL 7.	
Shanghai, Japan and "Europe via Siberia .....	
Straits .....	Ranpura .....
Amoy and Takao via Swatow .....	Van Heutsz .....
*Japan, *Canada and *U.S.A. ....	10.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard .....	Dell Maru .....
Swatow .....	Tyndareus .....
Amoy .....	Wing Lee .....
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and "Europe via Vancouver, B.C. ....	Hydrangea .....
(Due Vancouver, B.C., April 26 and "Europe via Siberia.)	Takada .....
Parcels .....	Empress of Canada
Registration .....	
Letters .....	10.30 a.m.
FRIDAY, APRIL 8.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow .....	Hai Yang .....
Manila .....	Tacoma .....
Hoihow, Pakchoi and Haiphong .....	King Yuan .....
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, B. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles .....	Corfu .....
(Due Marseilles, May 6.)	G.P.O.
K.P.O.	
Parcels .....	Parcels .....
Registration .....	Registration .....
Letters .....	Letters .....
SUNDAY, APRIL 10.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow .....	Canton Maru .....
Sandakan .....	Hin Sang .....
TUESDAY, APRIL 12.	
Saigon and "Europe via Marseilles .....	General Metzinger .....
(Due Marseilles, May 14.)	G.P.O.
K.P.O.	
Registration .....	Registration .....
Letters .....	Letters .....
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13.	
Straits & "Europe via Marseilles .....	Hai Ching .....
(Due Marseilles, May 12.)	G.P.O.
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### The China Mail.

Hong Kong, Wednesday, April 6, 1932.

#### Proportional Representation.

Conservatives are reported to be demanding a reform of the House of Lords. At a meeting, now a month old, of the National Union of Conservative Associations the following resolution was passed:

"... urges upon the Government the necessity for amending the Constitution, so as to make a more effective Second Chamber."

If the House of Lords needs reforming, it seems that there is greater need for the reform of Parliamentary government as to-day obtaining in Great Britain, especially in so far as the system of election is concerned. This statement is based on an analysis of the three most recent General Elections in Great Britain. The Elections of 1924, 1929 and 1931.

Before, however, proceeding to consider the analysis, let it be conceded that Parliamentary government, where it had strong roots and where it had been able to command honest administration, has never yet been overthrown in any nation. It may be a difficult system to work, but it does seem to be, with all its faults, the best yet discovered by man.

According to Professor Gilbert Murray, to save Parliamentary government the system of voting must satisfy three conditions. (1) It must be fair, (2) It must be stable, and (3) it must give the more thoughtful elements of the population a fair chance of being represented in Parliament.

How does the present system react to each one of these three tests? Here is where the analysis enables one to come to a decision.

In the election of 1924 the Conservatives, with 8,000,000 votes, won 415 seats, whereas the Liberals, with 3,000,000, won 42. Roughly, a million Conservatives could obtain over 50 seats, but the same number of Liberals could only obtain 14. In 1929, the Conservatives with 8,600,000 votes obtained 269, the Labourites, with less votes, 8,000,000 obtained more seats—283, whereas the unfortunate Liberals, with 5,600,000, got 51.

So, a million Labour men could get 34 seats, but a million Liberals could secure only 11. Thus, a Labour man had the voting power of three Liberals. In 1931, 14,000,000 Ministerialists obtained under 500 seats; whereas 7,000,000 Labour men got 46 seats. This meant that a million Ministerialists got 34 seats, but the same number of Labour voters could get only 7. The system, in view of these figures, cannot be said to be fair.

Stability. The system should, on the whole, ensure that when gusts of passion or terror sweep the country, Parliament should not be more violently affected than the people as a whole, but, if possible, less violently. There have been elections in which this has not obtained. There has been a complete submergence of one or more parties, and many public men, who are of the very greatest value in Parliament, have been turned out of public life just when they were wanted most. Here again the system has not stood the test.

And now in regard to the third test. Only recently Lord Snowden very deliberately affirmed that, with the present system, it had not been possible to be represented in Parliament by a member in whom he had confidence or whom he would have dreamed of choosing as a political leader or guide. In this respect the noble Lord's experience is not peculiar. Others, from time to time, have expressed themselves similarly.

The present system by each one of these tests fails. It should be replaced. But by what? Proportional Representation. A government elected under Proportional Representation would be less extreme, but it would be more consistent, and it would not be less decisive. The case for Proportional Representation is stronger to-day than it has been in the past, and it is growing stronger every day.

#### News in Brief.

Quarantine restrictions imposed against arrivals from Amoy on account of small-pox, have been removed.

A meeting of the Finance Committee, will be held after the Legislative Council Meeting, to-morrow afternoon.

In an alleged attempt to commit suicide, a Chinese married woman, of 11 Gough Street, is stated to have swallowed a dozen phenobarbital tablets. She was sent to hospital.

The following unclaimedograms are awaiting collection at the Great Northern Telegraph Company:

Silvered, from Kobe.

Henry, from Shanghai.

Whilst attending to a steam pipe on board the ss. Hirochi Maru, lying in the harbour, a fireman,

## THE GREAT BARRIER REEF FILM.

### CHINESE MERCHANT'S WILL.

#### Producers will Touch at Hong Kong.

Advice has been received from America that the Universal Film Company, which made "East of Borneo," is going to Australia to make a picture on the Great Barrier Reef. No details of the scenario are available yet, except that it was written by an Australian, Wilfred James, in collaboration with Dale Van Every, author of "East of Borneo."

The expedition will travel to Singapore, via Shanghai and Hong Kong, by steamer, and then charter a yacht, and cruise to Torres Strait and the Barrier Reef. Charles Bickford and Rose Hobart are said to be the stars selected for the picture, and a large company of extras will accompany the production.

Bickford and Miss Hobart will be released from their Hollywood engagements in July, and the expedition should set out in August.

named Lee Fu (40) sustained scalds to his body and was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital for treatment.

Whilst walking past 96 Queen's Road East, Leung Chit (23) of 19 Star Street, was struck on the head by a bamboo pole which fell from the third floor. He was sent to the Government Civil Hospital.

Sir William Hornell, Chairman, announced at yesterday's tiffin of the Rotary Club that he had accepted, on behalf of the Club, an invitation for members to lunch on board the s.s. President Hoover next Tuesday.

Monday was the anniversary of the inauguration of talkies in the Star and World Theatres. The former screenqueen Gloria Swanson in "Oh! What a Widow," and the latter showed Ronald Colman in "Kitties," with Kay Francis.

The Medical Officer of Health reports the following diseases, April 4:

Two cases of small pox, one case of diphtheria, and two cases of enteric fever all of which occurred on the mainland. On the Island in Victoria there were two cases of enteric fever and one at Shaukiwan.

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Rotarian J. P. Sherry was the speaker at yesterday's tiffin of the Rotary Club, and his subject was "The Dial Switch in Automatic Telephony." The talk was very interesting in that the speaker explained the manner in which the dialling system operated, and gave a description of what happened when a call was put through and completed.

At yesterday's tiffin of the Rotary Club, the members confirmed the Chairman's designation of Rotarian T. B. Wilson as the local Club's representative at the International Rotary Convention in Seattle. Reference was also made to Rotarian E. Wylie going Home on leave and the gathering wished him a pleasant and happy leave and a speedy return with renewed health and vigour.

A most interesting talk on Hong Kong flowers was given to members of the Kowloon Union Church Young People's Society (Senior Section) last night by Doctor G. A. C. Herklots, B.Sc., Ph.D. The speaker showed a number of lantern slides illustrating different species of Hong Kong orchids, mangrove swamps, and different flowering shrubs common to the Colony's hillsides.

Under powers afforded by the Magistrates' Ordinance, Mr. Wynne Jones (presiding) and Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon heard charges of kidnapping and illegal detention brought against two Chinese men and a woman. The male defendants were alleged to have kidnapped three boys whilst the woman was charged with harbouring them in a hut at Siwan-ho, Sheukiuwan. Inspector John Murphy for the prosecution asked leave to withdraw charges in respect of another boy, who was alleged to have been kidnapped by the first defendant. After his recovery by the Police, the boy was returned to his foster father but had since disappeared. The hearing was adjourned.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Stacy Pierce Harris, of U. S. S. Mirdana, and Matina Hayashi, of 37, Morrison Hill Road.

One case of small pox and five cases of meningitis were notified yesterday.

#### Correspondence.

#### PRACTICE OF NUDISM IN HONG KONG.

To the Editor of "China Mail": Sir.—As an article has appeared in a certain local Paper purporting to give the decision of the Government to the Application of the Hong Kong Nudist Society for an Island in Hong Kong Waters, to the effect that no facilities whatsoever will be afforded by the Government, I shall thank you to kindly give space to this our official Statement, that no negative reply of any kind has been received by the Hong Kong Nudist Society, from the Hong Kong Government, in reply to their Applications for an Island, and that we have no indications whatsoever that we shall not be granted the lease of the Island. The article in the said local Paper is therefore not supported by evidence in our hands.—Needless to add that we are confident of our complete success.

Yours, etc.,  
HERBERT B. LANEPART,  
President,  
Hong Kong Nudist Society,  
P.O. Box 804, Hong Kong.

#### OLD LAG CAUGHT RED-HANDED.

#### Razor Blade for Picking Pockets.

Two months' imprisonment was imposed upon a Chinese who was convicted before Mr. J. A. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of having possession of razor blade, set in wax.

Sub-Inspector Elston, prosecuting said that the man alighted from the train at Kowloon Railway Station, with a crowd of other people who came here for the Ching Ming festival. Following the usual procedure, the passengers were searched by a party of police. The razor blade was found in a packet of tobacco in defendant's pocket, and as soon as it was discovered, he bolted, but was caught.

It was suggested that the instrument would be used for picking pockets, by cutting the cloth.

Defendant had a previous conviction for picking pockets many years ago, and had also been sent away to Canton in 1911.

#### BARRISTER-AT-LAW FINED.

#### Failing to Have Licence for Wireless Set.

Mr. A. M. L. Soares, the barrister-at-law, living at Temple Tower, Stubbs Road, was summoned before Mr. Wynne-Jones in the Central Police Court this morning, at the instigation of the Postmaster General, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, with failing to have a licence for his wireless receiver's set.

Defendant pleaded guilty.

Mr. Hamilton said that in this case, a warning was issued to the house, but it was evidently not transmitted by the other members of Mr. Soares' family. In view of that, Mr. Hamilton asked his Worship to take a more firm view of the case.

Regarding the case as more of a matter of oversight, his Worship imposed a nominal fine of \$5.

On a similar summons, Sze To-ye, of the Ka Wo Distillery, Aberdeen was also fined \$5.

#### Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of April 6, 1922.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/5 9/16.

The great day is here.

Hong Kong has welcomed the King's eldest son, and is still busy with "nods, becks and wreathed smiles," with cheers and glad colours, manifesting its feeling of loyalty to our Reigning House.

Such opportunities come but seldom. It is reasonable to make the most of them. The occasion is historic. It ought to imprint imperishable memories, memories worth recalling. The Prince is a charming lad. So good looking, say our ladies. "A real sport" add the men. And he is the British Crown Prince, our future King Emperor. What more is there to say!

## BOOKS ON CHINA

AN ADDRESS GIVEN TO THE  
HONG KONG BRANCH OF THE  
ENGLISH ASSOCIATION.

by

Professor C. A. Middleton Smith, M.Sc.

China is to-day, under the search-light of publicity. For centuries the country was sealed. Even now the part that the Chinese have played in the history of the world has not been appreciated by Europeans.

Movements that have taken place in this country have affected other peoples. Great men figure in the nation's authentic history of forty centuries. Owing to the old policy of seclusion the intellectual leaders have never received the world's homage due to them; but as we learn more of their works the question of nationality is lost sight of in the consciousness that men of genius belong to all humanity. Kublai Khan and Mencius are names worthy of a place beside Julius Caesar and Luther.

## Selection of Books.

Bulky histories of the Chinese have been published but the average European is ignorant of the causes that have sustained the most numerous and the most long-lived nation on earth. If we would learn we must read what others have written. And of book-making on China there is no end. But there is the old, old difficulty of selection.

It is easy to complain of books. As with acquaintances, we come across those that we forget more frequently than those that leave a lasting impression on us. But there are books that are of immense importance in our lives. They affect us so much that they rank with our parents, our proven friends and our passionate experience, so great is their influence upon our mental outlook.

## Blanks and Prizes.

During twenty years of residence in the Far East I have tried to learn something of China and the Chinese. I had no guide; I went in a haphazard manner to the shelves in libraries and in book-shops to find them a lottery in which there were a hundred blanks to a prize.

But the prizes made me happy and some, perhaps, made me a little wiser. And now I am reporting to you, as under oath, the lasting impression which the favourites have left on my mind. Mr. Baldwin say that unless a man makes his characters into heroes or devils, or both, he is seldom an interesting writer.

## Heroes and Devils.

I want to persuade you that if we wish to make people read about the history of the last century and a half in China, we must pick out heroes or devils and write history around the characters. And that is why I shall mention names.

The most interesting periods, to my mind, are these. First of all the early efforts of merchant adventurers before the XIXth century.

Everyone knows of Marco Polo's travels. "Anson's voyage round the World" (1744) gives perhaps the earliest glimpse of the life of European traders in Canton. Recently another book entitled "Europe in China" by G. F. Hudson has appeared. It has been published in the Spectator. It is a survey of foreign relations from the earliest times to 1800.

Then there is the time when the power of the East India Company in Canton was on the wane, and Hong Kong was ceded to the British—say 1800 to 1842. The name that stands out in my memory in this connection, is not the famous missionary Dr. Morrison, not the active Mathesons, nor Captain Elliot, but Sir George Thomas Staunton, the "superior person." To the mind of an educated Chinese, great literary work has always been considered to be the supreme expression of art.

If you really want to learn something about a subject you should try to lecture or write about it. And so I made the attempt, year ago, to put down my impressions about China on paper. It was much more difficult than I had anticipated. But it sent me, again and again, to the bookshelves that contained the wisdom of others.

## Typical Books.

I found that I was often disappointed. There was such a lot of dull reading. But certain volumes pleased me. It is therefore natural that I should command

survived in the pagoda and on the sign of "The Staunton Arms" at the Park Gates.

It is strange that I should be ten years in the Far East before discovering that Staunton had lived out here. Since then I have tried hard to find out all about his life. It is a remarkable story.

It commences with a voyage out to China at the age of thirteen, to join his father in Canton. A year later the small boy is amongst the first of the British to visit Peking and is conversing in Chinese with the aged Emperor.

Later comes the struggle to maintain the monopoly of the East India Co. against the attacks of the Mathesons and the other free traders.

Finally he is a Hampshire squire, an M.P., LL.D. and F.R.S., the foremost authority in England on China, an able writer and a notable scholar.

I cannot resist quoting from one of Staunton's book two sentences.

The first, written in 1850, is from his own pen. It reads "Our present position in China is generally felt to be a critical one."

The other is from the Report of a Parliamentary Committee of which he was a member.

It runs as follows:—"Your Committee regret to state, on undoubted evidence, that the trade with that

country has been for some time in a very unsatisfactory position, and that the result of our extended intercourse has by no means realis-

ed the just expectations which had

been naturally founded on the freer

access to so magnificent a market."

Both of those sentences might have appeared in the recent report of the British Economic Mission that visited China in 1930-31.

Staunton was appointed deputy to Lord Amherst in the Second Embassy to Peking. Henry Ellis wrote a "Journal of the Proceedings of the Late Embassy to China."

Another Pioneer in China.

The other remarkable figure of

this period, of whom biographies

are of interest, is the Revd. Robert Morrison, the pioneer mis-

sionary who arrived in Macao in 1806.

Great as was his piety and

missionary zeal, his claims to fame

must rest upon his remarkable

work as a sinologue. It was Staunton and Morrison who first opened

up any sort of national communica-

tion between the Chinese and Eng-

lish peoples.

The Revd. Dr. Pearce, some years

ago, lent me a bulky life of Morrison

in two volumes, but I cannot re-

member the name of the author.

"Push and Go" Parkes.

The next period of interest is

about the time of the Taiping Re-

billion (say 1850) and the name

that comes to my mind in this con-

nection found a biographer in Lane

—Poole. He wrote an excellent

"Life of Sir Harry Parkes" in 2

vols.

This remarkable man entered the

public service in China at the age

of fourteen. He was interpreter,

vice-consul, consul and Minister.

## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states: Rates were further marked up this morning, and fair all round enquiries are in evidence.

Sales:

Hong Kong Banks, \$1,500.

Rauba, \$375.

Providents (Old), \$4,85.

Hong Kong Realties, \$10,900.

Ewos Cottons, Tls. 14½.

H.K. Electrics, \$725/731.

Hong Kong Ropes, \$16½.

Watsons (Rights), \$3½/.50.

Govt. Loans, 4½% Premium.

Buyers:

Hong Kong Banks, \$1,500.

Bank of East Asia, \$114.

Bengquets, \$12.35.

Rauba, \$375.

Wharves, \$141.

Docks, \$22.

Providents (Old), \$4.85.

Providents (New), \$2½.

Hotels (Cum. Rights), \$18.35.

Hotels (Rights), \$2.60.

Hong Kong Lands, \$774.

Hong Kong Realties, \$11.

Chinese Estates, \$95.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14.70.

Hong Kong Trams, \$21½.

Star Ferries, \$31.

Hong Kong Electric, \$725/731.

Telephones (P.P.), \$28.76.

Cements (Combined), \$18.15.

Watsons (Cum. Rights), \$15.54.

Watsons (Rights), \$8.5.

Amusements, \$21.

Constructions (New), \$1.86 ex

div.

Govt. Loans, 4½% Premium.

Gallen, \$21.

Malabon Sugars, \$21.

South China Enterprises, \$10.

Salts, \$21.

Young China's Hero.

Then we come to books about the overthrow of the Manchu dynasty and the emergence of the new na-

tional hero, Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

For forty-two years Parkes worked in the Far East. During most of the time he was the dominant European personality.

His daughter, Mrs. James Keswick, entrusted to his biography many letters which show the softer side of the indomitable Englishman.

At the age of fourteen (1842) Parkes took his place in a great historical scene—the reception of the Chinese Imperial Commissioners authorised to treat for peace with the "outer barbarians" for the first time in the history of China.

Off Nanking the British Admiral and General—on the flagship Cornwallis—received the Chinese Com-

missioners.

There has been no life of Sun to compare with Morley's "Life of Gladstone"; possibly the day will come when he will be as popular with biographers in China as is Napoleon with French aspirants to literary fame.

Passion, Folly and Heroism. I would encourage ambitious young Chinese authors to write, in English, readable biographies of their national heroes. There are writers about great men or about

peoples who may be just; but they affect the mind like a blue book or a table of statistics. But if you exclude the intimate details, romance, passion, folly and heroism from the conduct of human affairs you fall to interest the average reader.

The "Life" gives us glimpses of Hong Kong in the very early days which are of great interest.

In this period another name stands out—that of a British Consul T. T. Meadows. His book "The Chinese and their Rebellions" is difficult to obtain. There is so

much of wisdom in it that I think I learnt more from one chapter on the philosophy, morality and polity of the Chinese, than from any other source of information. It taught me to respect certain views often much misunderstood by Europeans.

The Amazing Yehonala.

Next comes the phase of the Boxer rebellion. In this connection let me remind you of Putnam Weale's "Indiscreet Letters from Peking," which gives a vivid account of the siege of the legations.

But beyond all other books of this period there is "China under the Empress Dowager."

It is the history of the life and times of Yehonala. There is a promise of romance simply in the sound of the name.

It would easily be possible to give not one, but many lectures, upon the dynamic character of Yehonala. Born in 1835, she ruled the teeming millions for half a century nearly a cycle of Cathay with the autocracy of which only a woman is really capable.

It would be quite a lot of time preparing this address. I had to re-write it. But I might have come here and simply said "a man named Hall has published recently a book on this subject—it will give you all the clues needed to lead you on to a complete study of China and the Chinese;" and that would have served my main object.

A list is given of authorities on China and their works. Ten years ago I tried to persuade my publishers to include such a list and failed. It was, therefore, gratifying to me to see this guide to the industrious in print.

He gives lengthy extracts from various books including "Annals and Memoirs of the court of Peking" and R. F. Johnson's "The Lion and Dragon in North China." Also from "Humanity and Labour in China" by Dame Anderson.

He mentions "Memoirs of Thomas Hickey," a very racy autobiography giving a glimpse of Cantor life in the late 18th century.

Many Civilisations.

He also relies on "The Chinese Empire" by a Roman Catholic Priest, H. Hue; Dr. A. H. Smith's works, and Woodhead's "Truth about the Chinese Republic." He contrasts the views of authors whom he labels "realists," "pessimists" and "optimists."

In summing up, he says "with regard to the pessimist party, it is not surprising that it should contain a fair sprinkling of missionaries." He has noticed that, in their writings, this class is either unduly optimistic or very pessimistic.

Or is that they come out keyed up with enthusiasm and write in a buoyant style reflecting that mood, and then gradually find themselves disillusioned? Do those of us who live longest in China grow more and more pessimistic? And is that altogether the fault of China or is some of it due to Anne Domini?

Valuable in Hall's opinion—it sometimes said that China is not a nation but a civilisation. It is, however, not a civilisation, but many civilisations ranging from the most primitive to the most refined."

About Hong Kong.

There are many references to Hong Kong in various books, but there is no complete history of the Colony.

Eitel in 1895 published his "Europe in China," which is really a story of the first fifty years of Hong Kong. The book is dull yet useful, but is out of print.

Norton-Kyshe wrote "A History of the Laws and Court of Hong Kong." The tale is carried only as far as 1885. It is tedious reading but is a mine of information for a really "live" story.

"Hong Kong Around and About" has been recently published. The Authors are Mr. Peplow and Mrs. Burton.

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Telegrams from Peshawar.

A. L. Gies, passenger, s.s. Rail King from Manila.

Fredno Lyen, care of Gilman, 1m Singapore.

Walter Rudolph, Cetil Hotel, 1m Manila.

Telegrams from Manila.

C. C. CLARKE,  
Manager.

Telegrams, March 31, 1932.

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.****WM POWELL, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, 6 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 21st April 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 29th February 1932 and electing Directors and Auditors.

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**MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.** Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed. No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for payment of all chits, &c.

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Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted Half Price. Bookmakers, Tic Tac Men, &c., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

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**T**HE SUMMER TERM begins on APRIL 11. Examination for New Students at 9.30 a.m. For Prospectus, for Boarders and Day-Boys, apply Mr. Li Hoi Tung, Banker & Co., 20, Des Voeux Road, C. or to

**ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE,  
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They make no pretence that the work is a complete account of things Chinese as seen in the Colony. Its aim is to throw some light on scenes and incidents of daily life which may interest or puzzle the non-Chinese onlooker.

I have sent to several friends and to my children "at home" copies of Mrs. Southorn's "Chips of China" and every one has been pleased with it. Often have I raised a laugh with the "Apple Pie" story.

Sir John Davis was a very industrious ex-Governor of Hong Kong who wrote fifteen volumes about China and the Chinese, over a period of nearly fifty years (1823 to 1870).

These books will interest those who like to read about the early days.

The Reliable Dr. Morse.

One of the most reliable writers is Dr. Morse. He entered the Customs service in 1874, coming (as he says) "To China direct from the halls of fair Harvard." He is, I believe, now a British subject and has spent many years in England devoting himself to literary work.

Perhaps his most famous efforts is "The Trade and Administration of China," first published in 1907 and subsequently revised.

I found also his four volumes "East India Company Trading in China" interesting.

In the preface he says that the end of the fifteenth century trade with India was cut off because of the substitution of Turkish for Saracen power in the Levant. So the sailors searched for a route to India and discovered many new lands.

And I remember that our first Vice-Chancellor, Sir Charles Elliot, told me that it was because of the Great Wall of China that the Turks came to Europe.

These hordes of wild horsemen swept across Asia hoping to conquer unknown Cathay. The Great Wall acted as a breakwater acts on angry waves.

The recoil of the Turkish horsemen sent them back to Europe, where for more than three centuries, they have worried the politicians, and even the soldiers, of many European nations.

Do We Grow Tired?

Last year, there appeared an interesting book entitled "Facets of the Chinese Question" by E. M. Cull who is secretary of the China Association in London.

He lived for years in the Far East. By the nature of his present work he is kept closely in touch with the commercial and political affairs that affect Anglo-Chinese trade.

It is curious, therefore, that he appears to be reluctant to enter fully into contemporary problems.

One obtains the impression that he sighs for "the good old days" and is not sanguine about the future. Does he think that all of these new ideas about sociology, science and mass-production will in the end fail to affect life in China? Does he cling to the idea that there will be no changes due to the moderns such as Darwin, Henry Ford and Marie Stopes?

The Psychologists at Work.

Let us now consider books concerning social customs and political problems.

I have already mentioned Dr. H. H. Smith's great contribution "Chinese Characteristics." Second only to this is his "Village Life in China".

He was for thirty five years a missionary and as far as I know he wrote five books. It seems unnecessary to give extracts from his two classics, because every page is well worth reading.

No one visiting China should fail to buy them. They are the open sesame to so many halls of knowledge about the most numerous and a very likeable people.

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#### CAPTAIN SAMUEL ROBINSON'S CAREER.

##### Yokohama Earthquake.

With the retirement on superannuation of Captain Samuel Robinson, C.B.E., R.N.R., R.D., from the command of the Canadian Pacific's 26,000 ton liner, Empress of Japan, which he has held since she was placed in Pacific service in the Summer of 1930, the Pacific has lost one of its most colourful personages.

Hero of the Yokohama earthquake in September, 1923, Captain Robinson received for his rescue work with the Empress of Australia the high honour of the Commander of the British Empire from His Majesty the King, Lloyd's silver medal for meritorious service at sea, the life-saving medal of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, and from former King Alfonso of Spain the second class Order of Naval Merit, seldom accorded to a merchant mariner.

His heroic work at Yokohama during the midst of a holocaust unparalleled in modern times, saw the Daily Colonist Victoria B.C., stamping him as a man of decision, courage and clear, hard-headed judgment. Amid flames which constantly menaced his ship and passengers, Captain Robinson stood by for three days, picking up survivors of the catastrophe, regardless of their nationality transforming his palatial liner into a floating hospital and refugee camp. It was a deed of seafaring skill and heroism, which won the unstinted admiration of the civilised world.

Was Apprentice.

Born in Hull, Yorkshire, May 8, 1870, Samuel Robinson went to sea at the age of fourteen, serving apprenticeship on the Imbro, a full-rigged sailing ship, later transferring to and serving full apprenticeship in various lines of sail and steam. He came to Canada with a brother in the early '90s, fired with tales of fabulous gold deposits in the hills of British Columbia. He tried placer mining in the Similkameen, but tired of this after awhile turned to the Pacific fleet of the Canadian Pacific Steamships in 1895, serving as a junior officer. His brother returned East and is now Captain William A. Robinson, of the United States Navy.

In his thirty-seven-year career with the C.P. Steamship, he has served at some time on every one of the ships in service since 1895 with the exception of the Empress of China. His first command was the Athenian, in 1903, and in that year Captain Robinson moved with his wife, whom he had married at Hong Kong in 1901, to make his home in Vancouver.

Later served commands on the Parthia, Empress of Japan, Empress of India, and was at Hong Kong in command of the Empress of Russia on August 4, 1914, when Great Britain declared war. His command, under Admiralty orders, joined as an armed merchant

cruiser in the British Navy's chase of the German raider Emden, and for seventy-two hours they scoured China waters without coming up with the enemy.

Later he took command of the Empress of Asia, serving as an armed merchant cruiser on the Red Sea. There, along the troubled coasts of Turkey and Arabia, he saw much action. In 1917, with the Empress of Asia, he was engaged in carrying American troops from New York to Southampton.

Captain Robinson was on the Empress of Asia at Hong Kong when the Great War broke out. The Asia was commissioned on August 3, 1914, one day before Great Britain entered the war, and put out to sea on the 9th prepared for active service, a record for hustling that would take some beating even at the present day, and which was made possible only by the assistance of the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Co., who prepared the ship for war service.

During the Emden scare in the Indian Ocean, Captain Robinson gave von Muller no peace for three months, and when the distress call was sent out from Cocos-Keeling Island, it was picked up by the wireless operators on the Empress of Asia, which hurried with all possible speed to the island in the hopes of meeting the German raider. But the Empress was unfortunate, for it met the Australian cruiser Sydney just returning from the famous conflict that baptised the Australian navy.

Captain Robinson quite cheerfully admits now that the four inch guns on the Emden may have blown the Empress and its 4.7 inch guns to smithereens, but the hardy crew on the Empress were willing to take that chance.

##### HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120° deg. E. 00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (\*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

April 6 to 12, 1932.

Date	High Water Standard Ht.	Low Water Standard Ht.
April 6	H. M. F. H. M. F.	
6 .. 10 04	6.0 03 20	1.9
6 .. 22 05	5.7 15 39	1.9
Thurs. 7 .. 10 21	6.0 03 44	2.1
Fri. 8 .. 10 40	5.3 16 16	1.7
9 .. 23 40	6.0 04 02	2.3
Sat. 9 .. 10 56	6.1 04 20	2.6
10 .. 23 55	4.3 17 40	1.5
Mon. 11 .. 11 15	6.2 04 30	2.8
11 .. 21 42	3.8 04 40	2.9
11 .. 39 6.3 19 29	1.5	
Tues. 12 .. 01 40 3.4 04 36	2.1	
12 10 8.4 20 40	1.5	

##### CLEARANCES.

Tuesday, April 5.

Arabia Maru, for Singapore.	13th Apr. For Miles, L'don, Edin and Glasgow
Bintang, for Bangkok.	"ANCHISES" 19th Apr. For Marseilles, London, Rotterdam and Hamburg
Brisbane Maru, for Brisbane.	
Bulland, for Swatow.	
Dorry, for Macao.	
Faitangata, for Canton.	
Fooshing, for Canton.	
Hai Ning, for Swatow.	
Hydra II, for Bangkok.	
President Hoover, for Manila.	
Tjisalak, for Batavia.	
Tjisareea, for Shanghai and Amoy.	
Wong Shek Kung, for Honkoo Bay.	

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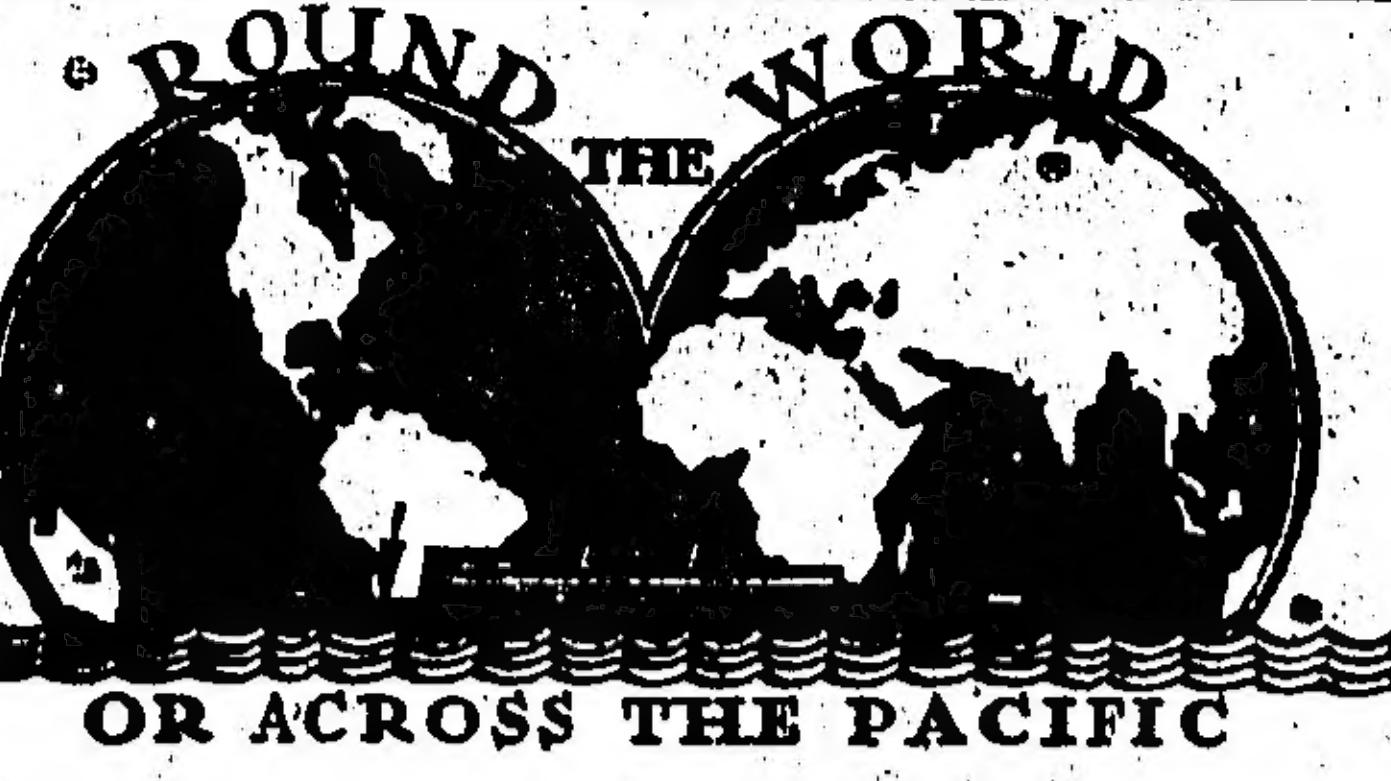
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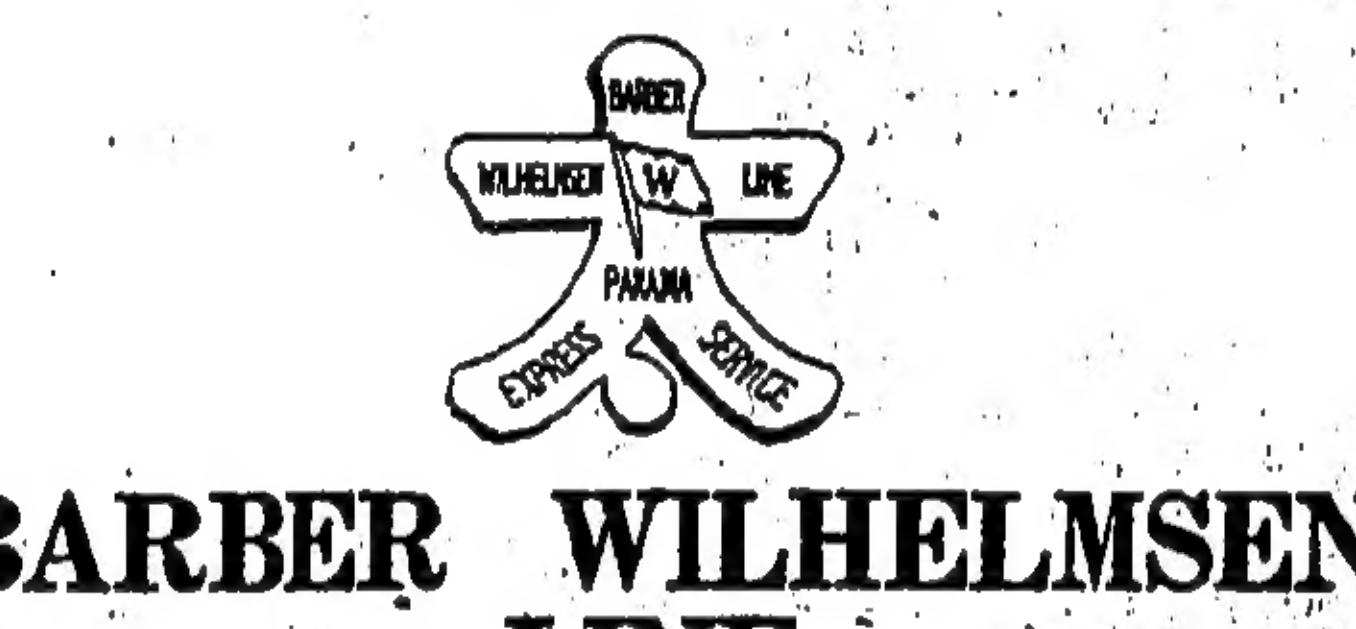
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## BOOKS ON CHINA

(Continued from Page 8.)

I suppose that the three most popular authors of such novels are Mrs. Miln, Putman Weale and Pearl Buck.

"The Good Earth." Pearl Buck has, perhaps, written the story that will live longer than any other yet published.

"The Good Earth" first appeared in Great Britain in 1931; it quickly ran to a second edition.

It is a description of the life of a Chinese farmer of the early twentieth century. There is really not much of a story, no great effort to make a plot, no romance as we understand the word, but rather a readable tale of the ups and downs of the agricultural and domestic life that is the lot of so many millions in China.

I think that the author must have been saturated in Biblical phraseology because many of the sentences are like those found in the old Testament. And at times the book reminded me of the Devonshire tales of Eden Philpott.

It is free in its reference to primitive emotions and deals bluntly with sex affairs. We know that Chinese workers and country folk of all nations do talk freely on those matters.

The Unspoiled Face of Nature.

The crude instinct of the chief character, the rough illiterate Chinese peasant, for the soil awakens response in all our hearts. This feeling was expressed in beautiful language by Professor Trevelyan in a lecture recently delivered in University College London.

He considered the comfort and the mystery and the inspiration that the unspoiled face of nature is to mankind. And he said:

"It is a natural brotherly love that we feel for trees, flowers, even for grasses, nay even for rocks and water. We and they are all, literally, children of earth, for we have been evolved as science

## WATER RETURN.

All Reservoirs But  
One Below Level.

The level and storage of water in the reservoirs on March 1, 1932, were as under:

City and Hill District.

Tytam ..... 24' 11" B 15' 8" B  
Tytam Byewash ... 25' 2" B 24' 11" B  
Tytam Intermediate 35' 3" B 37' 8" B  
Tytam Tuk ..... 32' 1" B 33' 8" B  
Wong Nei Chung ..... 24' 6" B 21' 7" B  
Pokfulum ..... 21' 0" B 19' 4" B  
Aberdeen Upper ..... 27' 5" B  
Aberdeen Lower ..... —

[Note: B denotes "Below Overflow"; A denotes "Above Overflow"; L denotes "Level with Overflow."] Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

Tytam ..... 1931 1932  
205.31 265.04  
Tytam Byewash ..... — 78  
Tytam Intermediate 49.47 46.10  
Tytam Tuk ..... 754.58 727.68  
Wong Nei Chung ..... 6.93 8.81  
Pokfulum ..... 22.50 25.68  
Aberdeen Upper ..... — 68.20  
Aberdeen Lower ..... —

Total ..... 1,038.70 1,140.22 Consumption in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of February, 1932.

1931 1932  
Consumption ..... 201.84 238.09  
Estimated population 455,820 382,250 Consumption per head per day ..... 15.9 21.5

[Included 1.56 million gallons from Mainland.

February, 1931.—From February 1 to 23 a constant street fountain supply was operated in all Rider Main Districts excepting 8 days (15th-17th) inclusive when a Full Supply was given on account of Chinese New Year.

February, 1932.—From February 1 to 29 a constant street fountain supply was operated in all Rider Main Districts excepting 8 days (4th-6th) inclusive when a Full Supply was given on account of Chinese New Year.

Kowloon ..... 1931 1932  
Main ..... 14' 0" B 14' 4" B  
Byewash ..... — 50' 4" B  
Reservoir ..... 5' 7" B 11' 1" B  
Shing Mun Reception ..... 11' 8" B L Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

1931 1932  
Kowloon Main ..... 222.60 219.98  
Kowloon Byewash ..... 9.40 8.33  
Reservoir ..... 94.50 75.82  
Shing Mun Reception ..... 8.22 83.15

Total ..... 332.72 306.76 Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of February, 1932.

1931 1932  
Consumption ..... 177.84 181.24 Consumption per head per day ..... 23.4 15.3

The report of the Government Meteorologist and Analyst shows that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall recorded by the Observatory, 1931, 27.4 inches January 1 to February 28, 1932.

concession hunting era of thirty years ago.

"The Unknown God" might please some of you better. It deals with the old problem of missionary endeavour in China.

Typhoons and Hong Kong.

"China Seas" (by Crosbie Garin) entertained me, possibly because it is descriptive of Hong Kong and life on the China coast. It isn't the story itself that pleases; it gives the usual picture of a lurid Far Eastern life which most novelists depict and which can be found if searched for, in any of the great sea-ports of the world; it is the local atmosphere that appeals to an old resident in Hong Kong.

There is a description of a typhoon during a voyage from some place near Singapore to Hong Kong; later on there is a piracy. The following is amusing:-

"Willhays was a taipan, breathing the rarefied atmosphere of the Peak, whither he was borne from his offices in a chair carried by four uniformed coolies. His dealings were with fellow taipans and great Chinese merchants, his social intercourse with the Naval and Military, the Government House set."

He says that he is retiring.

He talks of his old friend Li Cheng En—how they first met as young men in business. "He gradually went to the head of his firm. I to mine." One day Li told the taipan that he was going back from Hong Kong to his native place on retirement. "I asked him why" said the taipan. "He looked sideways at me . . ." it is not wise for a man to outstay his friends."

"So he went . . . his going left a gap and what he said sank in . . . Looked around, previous few of the big guard left."

Critics might deal harshly with this book. Yet to me the above words, and many others, made it seem real.

There are some other novels about Hong Kong. "The Uncharted Seas" by King-Hall is about the big strike, but not very accurate. The others are not of much interest.

A World Civilisation.

In this very limited glance at books about China I have omitted references to many that may be the favourites of some members of my patient audience. I have had one object only—to persuade you to study seriously the problem upon the solution of which the future of humanity rests.

For if the world is to be stable, it must have more organisation than was necessary in former days. Science has lengthened human life, diminished disease, increased the productivity of labour, so much that every human being could have tolerable comfort without long hours of work, if only the world's production and distribution were efficiently managed. Yet there are many difficulties and dangers before the rising generation.

It is simply due to human stupidity and inertia that some of the greatest scourges still afflict mankind. Machines and scientific inventions can prevent evils. Science can construct a framework within which the good life is possible; it cannot do more. It can cure sickness but it cannot ensure what a man shall do with his health. It can cure poverty but it cannot ensure what a man will do with his leisure and wealth.

But as we escape, by the aid of machinery, the primitive wants, we should crave for more positive excellence of human life. These things are in the mind and the heart and not in any man-made mechanism. They consist of such things as the pursuit of knowledge, the creation and enjoyment of beauty, the joy of life, the appreciation of human affection. We of the West should remember that the foundations of the new superstructure called world civilisation are the Bibles of humanity; and all of

those great books came out of Asia.

The scientific organisation of the new and better world must be combined with a vivid realisation of what is good in life, what inspires us all to reveal the noblest part of our complex natures.

Wisdom and Knowledge.

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### FALLING DEBRIS MENACE.

Manslaughter Charge if  
Anyone Killed.

#### DEFENDANT WARNED.

A fine of \$100 was imposed on Chan Cheung, of the Hung Tak firm of building contractors, on a summons for failing to take necessary precautions in regard to falling debris at the junction of Des Voeux Road Central and Gilman Street, where four houses are being demolished.

Sergeant Brown, prosecuting, said that, at the time, there were several people passing in rikshas, as well as pedestrians in the street. He warned them, but they took no notice of his warning.

His Worship warned the defendant that if a person was killed by a falling brick, it would result in those being responsible for the work, being probably charged with murder, but most certainly manslaughter.

### MEXICAN SUBJECT EXPELLED.

Certificate of Identity  
Unapproved.

On a charge of being in the Colony without a valid passport, Ramon Mendoza, a Mexican subject, was brought before Mr. Wynne-Jones in the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. L. H. V. Booth, Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence (Political), said the defendant was a seaman and had been in the Colony for about three months, arriving here on a German ship. Considering that Mendoza was an undesirable, the Police proceeded to go into the question of his passport, and found that he had a certificate of identity which was issued to enable him to land at Bristol in June 1931.

The I.G.P. was not prepared to approve of this certificate. His methods of obtaining a living were vague and possibly subject to question. All the Police asked for was an expulsion order.

Mendoza stated that there was a possibility of him being given a job on the Dollar Steamship line. He had been staying at the Seamen's Institute and three days ago he came to the end of his tether.

His Worship made the expulsion order, accordingly.

#### Frenchman Charged.

George Arthur De Houx De Fastree (48) described as a motor engineer, of France, also appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones charged with entering Hong Kong without a valid passport, and also with the unlawful possession of a .7 millimetre automatic pistol, on the third floor of 20, Yik Yam Street yesterday.

Mr. Booth prosecuted.

Defendant admitted possession of the weapon, but explained that it was of no use. He contended that his passport was valid.

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